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APPELLANTS' REPLY BRIEF (37 CFR 1.193)Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Appellant now presents this Reply Brief under 37 CFR § 1.193 in response to the Examiner's Answer of October 19, 2005 and make the following responses to the Examiner's arguments.

A. WHETHER PATRIZIO IS PRIOR ART TO APPELLANTS' CLAIMED INVENTION IS PROPERLY APPEALABLE

On page 2, paragraph (6) of the Examiner's Answer, the Examiner states that Appellants' Declaration filed under 37 CFR 1.131 is only a petitionable matter and cannot be appealed to the

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